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SUBJ: PROPOSED ASSISTANCE TO PAEC AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM

1. AT REQUEST OF PAEC CHAIRMAN, AGENCY SENT SPECIAL ADVISORY MISSION TO PAKISTAN IN DECEMBER TO REVIEW PAEC AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH PROGRAM, ADVISE ON PRIORITIES, AND RECOMMEND WHERE PROGRAM SHOULD BE INTENSIFIED, IF NECESSARY, WITH EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE. TEAM COMPOSED OF THREE IAEA STAFF MEMBERS (SIGURBJOERNSSON, ICELAND; MIKAELSON, NORWAY; AND SOPER, CANADA) AND ONE FRG EXPERT (DR. TH. GRUENEWALD). COPIES OF TEAM REPORT BEING POUCHED AMMONS, AEC; KENT, IO/SCT; WEBBER, SCI/AE; HAINES, USDA/ARS; AND AID MISSION ISLAMABAD.

2. TEAM RECOMMENDED SEVERAL PROJECTS, SOME OF WHICH LIKELY TO BE FUNDED FROM UNDP, AND POSSIBLY OTHERS BY SIDA, USAID AND FRG.

3. FRG SERIOUSLY INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING FOOD PRESERVATION PROJECT, INVOLVING, INTER ALIA, INSTALLATION OF IRRADIATION FACILITY AT NUCLEAR INSTITUTE FOR AGRICULTURE AND BIOLOGY AT LYALLPUR, FOR STRENGTHENING EXISTING CAPABILITIES IN RESEARCH ON DISINFESTATION OF GRAIN, PRESERVATION OF FRUITS, INHIBITION OF SPROUTING (POTA-  
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TOES AND ONIONS), AND INCREASING SHELF-LIFE OF FISH. FOUR-YEAR

PROJECT WOULD BE JOINTLY FUNDED BY FRG (\$300,000 PLUS IRRADIATOR)  
AND PAEC (7 MILLION RUPPEES) AND CARRIED OUT THROUGH IAEA.

4. SINCE MAJOR COMPONENT OF PROJECT WILL BE THE IRRADIATOR, AGENCY AND FRG MISSION REP HAVE INFORMALLY INQUIRED WHETHER THERE MIGHT BE POSSIBILITY ARRANGING FOR LOAN OF USAEC IRRADIATOR, OF TYPE THAT AEC HAS LOANED TO OTHER COUNTRIES. IRRADIATOR NOT RPT NOT EXPECTED TO BE REQUIRED UNTIL SPRING OF SUMMER OF 1975. AGENCY AND FRG WOULD WELCOME AEC JOINING IN THIS EFFORT, IF THIS CAN BE ARRANGED.

5. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING WHAT ARE PROSPECTS FOR OBTAINING IRRADIATOR ON LOAN FROM AEC IN TIME-FRAME DESIRED. ADVISE.  
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